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NEWS RELEASE

A two-count indictment¹ was filed today against Michael Kushner charging that on May 27, 2009 he distributed, over the Internet, videos that depicted children being sexually abused, and, on June 3, 2009, he possessed in excess of 600 images of child pornography, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit www.projectsafechildhood.gov.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR YEAR OF BIRTH
Michael Kushner	Langhorne, Bucks County, Pennsylvania	52 years old

If convicted the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of 30 years incarceration, which includes a mandatory five year term of imprisonment, five years up to a lifetime of supervised release, a \$500,000 fine and a \$200 special assessment.

The case was investigated by the Bensalem Police Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Michelle Rotella.

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